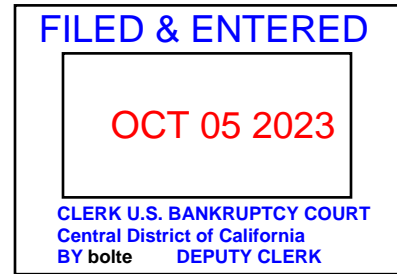


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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA – SANTA ANA DIVISION

In re

NORTHERN HOLDING, LLC,

Debtor.

Case No. 8:20-bk-13014-SC

Chapter 7

ORDER ADJUDICATING LEROY E.  
CODDING, IV IN CIVIL CONTEMPT AND  
IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS

Hearing on OSC

Date: September 27, 2023

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Ctrm: 5C – via ZoomGov

Address: 411 W. Fourth Street  
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Status Hearing on Contempt

Date: October 18, 2023

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Ctrm: 5C – via ZoomGov

On September 27, 2023, at 11:00 a.m., the Court held a continued hearing on an order to show cause re: civil contempt, entered on October 26, 2022, as Docket No. 359 (“OSC”). An evidentiary hearing was previously held by the Court on May 11, 2023, regarding the OSC, and there were two successive stipulations entered into between Richard A. Marshack, in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee of the bankruptcy estate (“Estate”) of Northern Holding, LLC (“Debtor”), and Leroy Emerson Coddington, IV (“Coddington”), an individual in his individual capacity and in his capacity as the managing member of Fluid Wine Fund I, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company (“FWF”)

1 and as chief executive officer of Rabbit Ridge Wine Sales, Inc. (“Rabbit Ridge”) regarding  
2 Codding’s consent to being adjudicated in civil contempt, the first of which was filed on May 12,  
3 2023, as Dk. No. 394 (“First Consent Stipulation”), and the second of which was filed on July 28,  
4 2023, as Docket No. 416 (“Second Consent Stipulation”). At the hearing, Tinho Mang appeared on  
5 behalf of the Trustee, who was also present. Leroy E. Codding appeared *in pro per*. For the reasons  
6 discussed on the record and in the Court’s tentative ruling posted in advance of the hearing, and after  
7 considering the status report filed on September 13, 2023, as Dk. No. 421 and Mr. Codding’s written  
8 and oral representations, the Court enters its order as follows:

9 IT IS ORDERED:

10 1. Leroy E. Codding, IV, individually and in his capacity as the managing member of  
11 Fluid Wine Fund I, LLC, and in his capacity as the chief executive officer of Rabbit Ridge Wine  
12 Sales, Inc., is adjudicated in civil contempt of the Court’s orders: (1) the Court’s turnover order  
13 entered on August 23, 2021, as Dk. No. 196 (“Turnover Order”); (2) the Court’s order approving a  
14 motion to operate and a farm operator agreement (“Operate Order”); and (3) the Court’s order  
15 approving the stipulation for consent to civil contempt, entered on July 31, 2023, as Docket No. 417  
16 (“Consent Order”), for failing to turn over \$160,000 to the Estate, consisting of the agreed-upon  
17 amount that Codding and his entities misappropriated from the Estate and failed to return to the  
18 Estate, plus additional agreed-upon compensatory damages (including but not limited to the  
19 additional costs imposed on the Estate to address Codding’s actions).


20 2. Mr. Codding shall turn over the increased amount of \$170,000, as agreed upon by Mr.  
21 Codding on the record, to the Trustee in certified funds or verified funds no later than October 7,  
22 2023, at 11:59 p.m. Pacific Prevailing Time (“Compliance Deadline”). Payment in full by the  
23 Compliance Deadline will purge Mr. Codding’s contempt under this order.

24 3. A hearing is set for October 18, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. regarding Mr. Codding’s  
25 compliance with this Order. At the hearing, if the Compliance Deadline has not been met, the Court  
26 will consider the imposition of coercive sanctions up to and including issuing a bench warrant for  
27 Mr. Codding’s civil incarceration.  
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1           4.       If Mr. Coddington purges his contempt as set forth herein, the Trustee shall so advise the  
2 Court within 24 hours and the Court may vacate the hearing.

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Scott C. Clarkson  
United States Bankruptcy Judge